

City of Racine

Meeting Minutes - Final

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Public Safety and Licensing Committee

Chairman Q.A. Shakoor, II, Vice Chair Gregory Helding Alderman David L. Maack, Alderman Jim Kaplan, Alderman Robert Mozol

Monday, November 26, 2007

5:00 PM

City Hall, Room 205

Call To Order

PRESENT: 5 -

Q.A. Shakoor II, Gregory Helding, David L. Maack, Jim Kaplan and Robert

Approval of Minutes for the November 12, 2007 Meeting.

to Approve the Minutes

Alderman Helding arrived at 5:15p.m. and took his seat.

Public Comment

Lou Larson Alderman Jeff Coe

07-1387

Subject: Communication from the Purchasing agent requesting to discuss the recommendation for the Leasing/Management of the City Golf Courses.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 11-12-07: That the item be deferred to the next Public Safety & Licensing meeting November 26, 2007.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 11-26-07: That the purchasing agent be granted permission to enter into a contract with PGA II, Inc. for Leasing/Management of the City golf courses.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Sam Aiello, Kathleen Fischer and Jack Schuman appeared and informed committee members that fees for the courses go towards the maintenance and upkeep of the golf

The contract is being considered for a 10yr. period and would generate approximately \$1,565,812.00 in revenue annually.

The Purchasing Agent felt that entering into a contract with Jensen Management, LLC would not be a good idea due to them not having previous golf course leasing/managing experience and not being financially qualified.

Tom Jensen of Jensen Management appeared and informed committee members that Jensen Managment would bring the City approximately \$966,000 more in revenue than PGA II Inc. had proposed.

Recommended For Approval

AYES: 3 - Gregory Helding, David L. Maack and Jim Kaplan

NOES: 1 - Robert Mozol

NON VOTING: 1 - Q.A. Shakoor II

07-1402

Subject: Communication from Chief of Police Wahlen requesting to apply for the 2008 State of Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance Community Re-Entry Program (CRP) grant for Project Safe Neighborhoods Gun Violence Initiative funding (Grant Control # 2007-054).

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

11-26-07: Permission granted for the Chief of Police to apply for a \$50,000 2008 State of Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance Community Re-Entry Program (CRP) grant for Project Safe Neighborhoods Gun Violence Initiative funding (Grant Control No. 2007-054).

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-26-07: That Chief Wahlen be granted permission to apply for the 2008 State of Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance Community Re-Entry Program (CRP) grant for Project Safe Neighborhoods Gun Violence Initiative funding (Grant Control # 2007-054).

Fiscal Note: No match required on the part of the City.

Chief Wahlen appeared and informed the committee members the police department is seeking permission to apply for the 2008 State of Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance Community Re-Entry Program grant for Project Safe Neighborhoods Gun Violence Initiative funding. He informed the committee the Re-Entry program is a successful program and he would like to see it continued with the help of this funding.

Recommended For Approval

07-1403

Subject: Communication from Chief of Police Wahlen requesting to apply for the 2008 State of Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance Community Re-Entry Program (CRP) grant for Project Safe Neighborhoods Anti-Gang Initiative funding (Grant Control # 2007-053).

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on

11-26-07: Permission granted for the Chief of Police apply for a \$50,000 2008 State of Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance Community Re-Entry Program (CRP) grant for Project Safe Neighborhoods Anti-Gang Initiative funding (Grant Control No. 2007-053).

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 11-26-07: That Chief Wahlen be granted permission to apply for the 2008 State of Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance Community Re-Entry

Program (CRP) grant for Project Safe Neighborhoods Anti-Gang Initiative funding (Grant Control # 2007-053).

Fiscal Note: No match required on the part of the City.

Chief Wahlen appeared and informed the committee members the police department is seeking permission to apply for the 2008 Wisconsin Office of Justice Assitance Community Re-Entry Program for Project Safe Neighborhoods Anti-Gang Initiative funding. Chief Wahlen stated the funds will purchase equipment for officers in the COP House Program.

Recommended For Approval

07-1418

Subject: Request of the Director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services to meet with the Public Safety and Licensing Committee to discuss granting Fisher Precise Corp. an easement for a storm sewer along the northwest corner of Pierce Woods Park.

Recommendation of the Public Safety and Licensing Committee on 11-26-07: That the Director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services be granted permission to enter into an agreement with Fisher Precise Corp. regarding an easement for a storm sewer along the northwest corner of

Pierce Woods Park.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Jack Schuman appeared and informed the committee members that Parks, Recreation, & Cultural Services Department is seeking permission to allow Fisher Precise Corp. to install a 200ft. easement to solve a storm water problem along the northwest corner of Pierce Woods Park.

Recommended For Approval

07-1427

Subject: Request of the Director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services to meet with the Public Safety and Licensing Committee to request permission to waive formal bidding for the installation of security cameras at Community Centers and to enter into an agreement with ClearCom for installation of security cameras at the remaining four community centers.

Recommendation of Public Safety and Licensing Committee on

11-26-07: That formal bidding be waived for the installation of security cameras at Community Centers and the Director of Parks, Recreation & Cultural Services be granted permission to enter into an agreement with ClearCom for installation of security cameras at the remaining four community centers.

Fiscal Note: Funds are available in account 984.120.5040, Security Cameras Community Centers

Jack Schuman appeared and informed the committee members they already have one at

the Dr. M.L. King Center and they are seeking permission to enter into an agreement with ClearCom for the installation of security cameras at the remaining four community centers. He also informed committee members that Clearcom and MIS are already working together at the Dr. M.L. King Center. He informed committee members that the Community Center Directors would be responsible for viewing the tapes. He stated the cost of the cameras would be approximately \$41,000. Two cameras would be installed outside the centers and two on the inside of each center.

Alderman Helding stated he would be abstaining due to the fact that he works in the same building as the owner of ClearCom.

Recommended For Approval

AYES: 2 - David L. Maack and Jim Kaplan

NOES: 1 - Robert Mozol

ABSTENTIONS: 1 - Gregory Helding

NON VOTING: 1 - Q.A. Shakoor II

07-1359

Subject: (New) Application of Super Mercado Jimenez, Ricardo Jimenez (Agent) for a Class "A" Retail Fermented Malt Beverage license for 2210 Sixteenth Street. (3rd District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 11-12-07: That the item be deferred to the next Public Safety & Licensing Meeting November 26, 2007.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 11-26-07: That the license be granted with the following stipulation:

1. There will be no individual/single container sales of beer.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Ricardo Jimenez appeared and informed the committee members the store will sell approximately 75% Hispanic items and fresh meats. His hours of operation will be daily 9a.m. - 9p.m. His wife Maria Jimenez will be the agent and will work at the store the majority of the time. He also informed the committee he will be careful to check identification cards when selling liquor and cigarettes. He has 5yrs. previous experience as a manager of a tavern called (Rick's Party House).

Alderman Maack asked the applicant if he would be willing to not sell individual/single container sales of beer and Mr. Jimenez stated he had no plans to sell any single or individual containers of beer. He also requested an agreement be drafted with the City Attorney's office regarding no individual/single container sales of beer.

Alderman Shakoor reminded Alderman Maack applicants are not required to agree to the no individual/single container sales and cautioned him about making the request of the applicant.

Alderman Maack stated if the applicant did not agree and sign an agreement not to sell

individual/single containers of beer, he would not be in favor of granting the license.

Recommended For Approval

07-1343

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from Alderman of the 4th District requesting to discuss complaints, and numerous incidents at the "Winner's Circle" Tavern located at 1403 Superior Street.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 11-12-07: Mr. Mike Williams (owner) of Winners Circle, 1403 Superior Street be requested to appear at the next Public Safety & Licensing

meeting November 26, 2007 to address these concerns. The Police Department will provide committee with a 12 month history of calls at this

establishment and the item be deferred until that time.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-26-07: That the item be deferred for 30 days and Mr. Williams will work with Lt. Purdy and Alderman Kaplan to come up with a resolution to the problems and report back to the committee on the measures being taken to prevent such problems in the future.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Mike Williams (agent) appeared and informed the committee members that a lot of the problems that involve the tavern occur outside of the premises and he often isn't aware that the problem has occurred. He also stated he has terminated one bartender and evicted the tenants in the upper apartment to try to resolve some of the problems. He also asked committee members and representatives from the Police Department (Lt. Purdy and Sgt. Macemon) what more he could do to solve the problems as he is not financially able to hire security.

Alderman Shakoor requested Mr. Williams contact Lt. Purdy and Alderman Kaplan and work with them to develop a concrete plan to resolve the problems at the establishment and the item be deferred to the January 7, 2008 Public Safety and Licensing Committee Meeting.

Deferred

<u>07-1419</u>

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request of the committee for the appearance of Parveen Bhardwaj (agent) for BP Food Mart 1975 State Street, for non-compliance for Tobacco sales.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-26-07: That the item be deferred until the next Public Safety & Licensing Committee Meeting December 10, 2007 and the agent be required to appear.

Fiscal Note: N/A

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Satish K. Bhardwaj appeared and informed committee members he was the clerk who sold tobacco products to the underage person on October 26, 2007. He stated he was on the telephone at the time of the incident and failed to ask the customer for identification. He realized his mistake and stated he will always make sure to check identification cards in the future.

The committee members would like the item deferred until the next Public Safety and Licensing Committee Meeting December 10, 2007 so that the agent, Parveen Bhardwaj, can be present.

Deferred

O7-1421 Subject: (Direct Referral) Renewal Application of Thomas R. Kroll for a Public Passenger Vehicle Driver's License

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 11-26-07: That the (Renewal) application of Thomas R. Kroll for a Public Passenger Vehicle Driver's License be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

O7-1424 Subject: (Renewal) Application of Wisconsin Discount for a Secondhand Jewelry Dealer's license for 2724 16th Street. (9th District)

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 11-26-07: That the (Renewal) application of Wisconsin Discount for a Secondhand Jewelry Dealer's license for 2724 16th Street be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Recommended For Approval

<u>07-1439</u>Subject: (Direct Referral) Renewal Application for Anchor Inn & BowlCorp., 3701 Durand Avenue, for 2008 Bowling Alley License.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 11-26-07: That the renewal application for Anchor Inn & Bowl Corp., 3701 Durand Avenue, for 2008 Bowling Alley License be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

O7-1466 Subject: Ord. 19-07

To amend Article 1, Chapter 6 of the Municipal Code of the City of Racine,

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Wisconsin relating to Alcoholic Beverages.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 11-12-07: That the item be deferred until the November 26, 2007 Public Safety and Licensing Meeting.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on

11-26-07: The Common Council be required to hold a public hearing on ordinance 19-07 as amended, and the ordinance be adopted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Recommended For Further Consideration

<u>07-1454</u> **Subject**: (Direct Referral) Applications for Operator's (Bartender's) Licenses.

Recommendation of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee on 11-26-07: That Daniel Sabala be requested to appear at the December 10, 2007 meeting, and the balance of the licenses be granted.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Granted

Miscellaneous Business

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35p.m. by Alderman Helding. The next scheduled meeting of the Public Safety & Licensing Committee is December 10, 2007.

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